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Mr. Ben P. Haynes
Program Chairman
Rotary Club of Houston
1011 Sheraton-Houston Hotel
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Mr. Haynes:

Thank you for your letter of 21 April and your kind remarks on the favorable impact of my speech on some of your members. I regret the delay in my reply due to my absence from the office the last few weeks.

It would be my pleasure to address the Rotary Club of Houston. However, as I am leaving the Agency and retiring from the Army, you might wish to have someone who would be in active government service at that time. If this is the case, I fully understand. If, however, you do wish me to speak under those conditions, I would be honored to do so. I hope that you will feel quite free to make the decision that seems best to you.

With every good wish,
Faithfully,

/s/ Vernon A. Walters

Vernon A. Walters
Lieutenant General, USA
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